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I. YOUTH CATEGORIES (POST YOUTH AGE RANGE 19-35):

- A. PERCENT - YOUNG POLITICAL LZADERS
 - 5 PERCENT - YOUNG MILITARY OFFICERS
 - 55 PERCENT - YOUNG BUREAUCRATS
 - 10 PERCENT - MEDIA
 - 5 PERCENT - EDUCATION
 - 15 PERCENT - UNIVERSITY STUDENT LEADERS

B. RATIONALE:

THE ABSOLUTE CONTROL WHICH THE RULING NATIONAL POLITICAL BUREAU EXERCISES OVER ALL PHASES OF GUINEAN LIFE RESTRICTS TREMENDOUSLY THE ASSOCIATIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS THAT CAN BE DEVELOPED BETWEEN GUINEAN NATIONALS AND FOREIGNERS PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO ARE MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS IN

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GUINEA.

MOST INITIAL CONTACTS WITH GUINEANS ARE MADE THROUGH APPROVED OFFICIAL CHANNELS IN FOLLOWING SEQUENCE, I. E.:

1) FOREIGN OFFICE, 2) MINISTRY TO WHICH RESPONSIBLE,
") BUREAU OR SECTION CHIEF TO WHICH ASSIGNED. FURTHER AND CONTINUING CONTACTS OF AN UNOFFICIAL NATURE DEPEND UPON THE PERSONAL AND POLITICAL SECURITY OF THE GUINEAN(S) INVOLVED AND THE RELATIONSHIPS ESTABLISHED THROUGH OFFICIAL ENCOUNTERS.

THE PERCENTAGE RATIONALE IS BASED UPON AN OBJECTIVE AND REALISTIC EVALUATION OF THOSE POTENTIALLY INFLUENTIAL YOUTH CATEGORIES WITH WHOM ONE HAS THE GREATEST NUMBER OF OFFICIAL REASONS OR OPPORTUNITIES TO SEE, WITH WHOM ONE CAN EXCHANGE IDEAS AND, HOPEFULLY, CAN, TO DEGREE, INFLUENCE. SOME CATEGORIES SUCH AS YOUNG MILITARY OFFICERS, PROFESSORS AND STUDENTS ARE OBVIOUSLY OF SIGNIFICANT POTENTIAL IMPORTANCE. THE REGIME OF COURSE REALIZES THIS AND SEVERELY LIMITS THEIR CONTACTS WITH OUTSIDERS.

C. SHORT- TERM YOUTH IMPACT:

EVERY CATEGORY TO WHICH WE HAVE GIVEN A PERCENTAGE WEIGHT CAN, FROM DAY TO DAY, POSITIVELY OR NEGATIVELY INFLUENCE AMERICAN- GUINEAN RELATIONS.

FOREIGN OFFICE: THE OFFICE OF PROTOCOL IN PARTICULAR AND CHIEFS OF VARIOUS SECTIONS IN GENERAL, CONTROL, ALMOST COMPLETELY, AMERICAN CONTACTS WITH KEY INDIVIDUALS IN OTHER MINISTRIES OR DEPARTMENTS OF THE GUINEAN GOVERNMENT. ALL INITIAL APPOINTMENTS ARE MADE (OR NOT MADE) BY THE CHIEF OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR RELATIONS IN THE PROTOCOL OFFICE. THE ALACRITY WITH WHICH HE RESPONDS TO APPOINTMENT REQUESTS IS OFTEN BASED UPON HIS PERSONAL RELATIONS WITH THE INDIVIDUAL OR EMBASSY WHO HAS MADE THE REQUEST. ACTIONS OF OTHER SECTION CHIEFS (I. E., POLITICAL, CULTURAL, ECONOMIC, CONSULAR) ARE OFTEN BASED UPON PERSONAL RELATIONS WITH THE INDIVIDUAL(S) WHO HAVE MADE THE REQUEST.

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THE COMMITTEE IS THE LIAISON AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MINISTER WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES (EX- SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES CONTROLS, WITH AN IRON HAND, THOSE ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE INSTITUTION.

JRDA, YOUTH OF THE AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC REVOLUTION: THE OFFICERS OF THIS ORGANIZATION REPRESENT THE YOUNG GUINEAN POLITICAL ELITE. DEDICATED TO THE PARTY, SUSPICIOUS

OF ALL " OUTSIDERS", INCLUDING THE YOUNG GUINEAN INTELLECTUALS, THEY CAN ONLY BE REACHED INDIRECTLY. SPORTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES OFFER THE MOST EFFICACIOUS MEANS OF PENETRATION EVEN ON A SUPERFICIAL LEVEL. HOWEVER, IT IS IMPORTANT TO DEVELOP WHATEVER ASSOCIATION POSSIBLE.

MEDIA -- RADIO, PRESS, CINEMA: THE YOUTH INVOLVED IN MEDIA ARE HANDCUFFED AND INTIMIDATED BY HARDLINE MARXIST- ORIENTED POLITICIANS WHO CONTROL COMPLETELY WHAT THE GUINEAN POPULATION SEES, HEARS OR READS. HERE AGAIN, THE BREAKTHROUGH HAS TO BE ATTAINED THROUGH CULTURAL AND TECHNICAL AVENUES.

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II. OBJECTIVES

- A. 20 PERCENT - INFLUENCE ATTITUDES ON SPECIFIC US INTERESTS IN THAT COUNTRY OR REGION.
- 20 PERCENT - FOSTER CLIMATE CONDUCIVE TO BILATERAL TRADE AND US INVESTMENT IN FUTURE YEARS.
- 10 PERCENT - DEVELOP INFLUENTIAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH

LEADERS OF POLITICALLY AWARE YOUTH AND WITH
POTENTIAL FUTURE LEADERS.

15 PERCENT - FOSTER A CLIMATE CONDUCIVE TO ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.

20 PERCENT - CREATE AND MAINTAIN FAVORABLE ATTITUDES
TOWARD U. S.

10 PERCENT - THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUTH CONTACTS,
UNDERSTAND AND FOLLOW INCIPIENT POLITICAL
AND SOCIAL TRENDS IN THE SOCIETY.

5 PERCENT - COUNTER ACTIVITIES OF FORCES HOSTILE TO
U. S. INTERESTS.

B. RATIONALE

THE OBJECTIVES SELECTED ARE, BY THEIR OERY NATURE,
INTERDEPENDENT. THE RELATIVE WEIGHTS REPRESENT AN ALMOST
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ARBITRARY EVALUATION OF AREAS THAT ARE CURRENTLY IMPORTANT
AND WHICH, GIVEN THE PREVAILING CLIMATE, CAN BE ACHIEVED.

III. RESOURCES

50 PERCENT - USIA CULTURAL AND INFORMATIONAL PROGRAMMING.

35 PERCENT - CU INTERNATIONAL VISITOR TRAVEL GRANTS (E
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